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Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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OFFICE ACTION RESPONSE

Sir:

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The present communication is responsive to the Office Action dated July 9, 2002. Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the deadline for filing this response by one (1) month from October 9, 2002 to November 9, 2002. Payment in the amount of \$110.00 is submitted herewith on form PTO2038.

Claims 1-28 were variously rejected as being unpatentable over Shkedy, US6,236,972 in view of Wollinsky and Wilz. Reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections are respectfully requested, for the following reasons.

The Office has not met its burden of setting out a prima facie case of obviousness in this case, as the terms in the claims were not given their plain, ordinary and reasonable meaning.

The Office, in order to read the Shkedy patent on the pending claims has analogized the claimed: